

**RESOLUTION NO. 793-2021, AMENDING THE ADOPTED 2021 OPERATING BUDGET TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM FUND 477 WATER QUALITY PROTECTION, AMENDING THE 2021 CAPITAL BUDGET AND PROGRAM, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN CONNECTION WITH POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS DISPOSAL SITE IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM (CP 8710.161)**

**WHEREAS**, the Suffolk County Water Quality Protection and Restoration Program Review Committee, pursuant to Article XII of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER has recommended funding for the Potential Hazardous Disposal Site Identification Program at its August 5, 2021 meeting as an appropriate use of Suffolk County Water Quality Protection and Restoration Program and Land Stewardship Initiative funds; and

**WHEREAS**, Suffolk County Legislative District No. 18, will sponsor the Potential Hazardous Disposal Site Identification Program in accordance with Article XII of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER; and

**WHEREAS**, Suffolk County relies on the aquifer as the sole source of drinking water, and surface contaminants pose a threat not only to the residents, but also to the streams, tributaries and coastal water bodies that originate from groundwater; and

**WHEREAS**, the Long Island Commission for Aquifer Protection (LICAP) has as a purpose to coordinate approaches to address the quality and quantity of water resources and the issues affecting Long Islands water supply; and

**WHEREAS**, through this project, the goal of the LICAP potential hazardous disposal site identification program is to conduct a detailed air photo/aerial imagery analysis and make assessments of potential threats to groundwater; and

**WHEREAS**, LICAP will utilize the expertise of the Cornell Institute of Resource Information Sciences (IRIS), to develop a classification system for potential hazardous threats and use air photo analysis in order to determine changes in location and nature of the site and surrounding land use cover and to derive an inventory of potential threat locations; and

**WHEREAS**, LICAP will commit to provide matching project funds in the amount of \$100,000 or at least one half of the total cost of the project, and if necessary, any additional amount required to complete the project; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuing Resolution No. 345-2018, Suffolk County would make payments to LICAP of \$50,000 per year to undertake the tasks set forth by Resolution No. 375-2018, this project will satisfy that obligation for years 2018 and 2019 only; and

**WHEREAS**, the funding provided through this project to LICAP through the 477 Suffolk County Water Quality Protection and Restoration Program shall be a one-time grant only and no further requests for funding from LICAP to the 477 Suffolk County Water Quality Protection and Restoration Program will be accepted to satisfy Suffolk County's obligation to LICAP pursuant to Resolution No. 345-2018; and

**WHEREAS**, this project is consistent with the tasks that are to be undertaken by LICAP as specified in Resolution No. 375-2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the project will be initiated within one year of the date of adoption of this Resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, the project will be completed within three years of the date of adoption of this Resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, funding for this project is requested through the Suffolk County Water Quality Protection and Restoration Program and Land Stewardship Initiative; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 1027-2020, established the use of a new priority capital ranking system, effective January 1, 2021, as the basis for funding capital projects such as this project and as required, an updated capital project ranking form was completed for this project; and

**WHEREAS**, there are sufficient funds available in Fund 477 within the Reserved Fund Balance for Water Quality related projects to support the appropriation of this project within the 2021 Capital Budget and Program; now, therefore be it

**1<sup>st</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that Suffolk County, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) Lead Agency hereby finds and determines that the adoption of this resolution constitutes a Type II Action pursuant to Title 6 NYCRR Part 617.5 (C) as this legislative decision involves (24) information collection including basic data collection and research, water quality and pollution studies, surveys, subsurface investigations; (26) routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment; (27) concurrent environmental, engineering, economic, feasibility and other studies and preliminary planning and budgetary processes necessary to the formulation of a proposal for action, provided those activities do not commit the agency to commence, engage in or approve such action; (33) adoption of regulations, policies, procedures and local legislative decisions in connection with any action on this list; as such, this Legislature has no further responsibilities under SEQRA; and be it further

**2<sup>nd</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that it is hereby determined that this project, with a priority ranking of sixty-four (64) is eligible for approval in accordance with the provisions of Resolution No. 1027-2020; and be it further

**3<sup>rd</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that sufficient funds exist within Fund 477's Water Quality Reserve Fund Balance component to cover the cost of the County's share for this project; and be it further

**4<sup>th</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that the Adopted 2021 Operating Budget be and hereby is amended and that the interfund transfer be and hereby is appropriated from Fund 477 Reserve Fund Balance as follows:

Expenditures:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Dept</u>	<u>Approp</u>		<u>Object</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
477	IFT	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Unit</u>	9600	0000	Transfer to Capital Fund	\$100,000
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Revenues:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Fiscal</u>	<u>Approp</u>		<u>Group</u>	<u>Rev</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	<u>FY</u>	<u>Yr</u>	<u>Dept</u>	<u>Unit</u>		<u>Source</u>		
525	9999	2021	CAP	X	IFTR	0000	R477	Transfer from Water Quality \$100,000

and be it further

**5<sup>th</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that the 2021 Capital Budget and Program be and they are hereby amended as follows:

Project No.: 8710.161  
 Project Title: Potential Hazardous Disposal Site Identification Program

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Revised</u>
	<u>Est'd</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2021</u>
	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Capital</u>
		<u>Budget &amp;</u>	<u>Budget &amp;</u>
		<u>Program</u>	<u>Program</u>
1. Planning	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000 W
TOTAL	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000

and be it further

**6<sup>th</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that these Water Quality proceeds in the amount of \$100,000 be and hereby is appropriated as follows:

<u>Project Number</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
525-CAP-8710.161	Potential Hazardous Disposal Site Identification Program	\$100,000

and be it further

**7<sup>th</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that the County Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to accept these interfund revenues and effectuate these interfund transfers, including the associated cash transfers to finance this capital project; and be it further

**8<sup>th</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that the Long Island Commission for Aquifer Protection shall enter into a contractual agreement with Suffolk County to ensure project completeness; and be it further

**9<sup>th</sup>** **RESOLVED**, that nothing contained herein shall be construed as a binding obligation on the part of Suffolk County to continue to provide funding or resources to Long Island Commission for Aquifer Protection for implementation of this resolution once the funding in this resolution has been exhausted.

DATED: October 5, 2021

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Lisa Black  
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: October 20, 2021